

Oakland Army Base, Knight Rail Yard  
Tulagi Street, south of West Grand Avenue Viaduct  
Oakland  
Alameda County  
California

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# HISTORIC AMERICAN ENGINEERING RECORD

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**Location:** Tulagi Street, south of West Grand Avenue Viaduct  
USGS Oakland West Quadrangle, Universal Transverse Mercator  
Coordinates: Northing 4184900, Easting 560150

**Date of Construction:** 1942

**Architect:** Bechtel-McCone-Parsons Corporation, Architect-Engineers, San Francisco, California.

**Contractor:** The prime contractor for this facility was The Army Port Contractors, a joint venture of MacDonald & Kahn, Inc.; The Utah Construction Company; and W.A. Bechtel and Bechtel-McCone-Parsons Corporation. At least initially, some 600 black troops of the 394th Quartermaster Battalion helped in construction of the Installation. Additional subcontractors and suppliers consisted primarily of businesses in the San Francisco Bay area.

**Present Owner and Occupant:** Military Traffic Management Command, Western Area  
Oakland Army Base, CA 94626-5000

**Original & Present Use:** Rail Yard

**Significance:** This facility was used in support of Oakland Army Base's World War II mission.

**Alterations:** Substantially unchanged except for periodic renovation.

